

The Iowa Council on Homelessness

DRAFT MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, June 5, 2014

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Meeting Location: The Iowa Finance Authority

Room: Lower Level Presentation Room

Address: 2015 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50312

(Any requests for corrections to the minutes should be submitted to josh.mcroberts@iowa.gov)

I ICN ETIQUETTE REVIEW

Chair Axeen reminded participants to ask to be recognized and to state their name.

II INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM by Chair Axeen. There are currently 38 members on the Iowa Council on Homelessness and the following voting members were present: Axeen, Binner, Brand, Brustkern, Canganelli, Dunnwald, Erickson, Fisher, Ford, Hagen, Harris, Hearn, Heckman, Hyatt (alt. for Armstrong), Johnson, Jordal, Phillips, Schulze, Schwalm, Timm, and Wilson. A quorum was established.

III APPROVAL OF AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)

On motion by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Phillips, the agenda for the June 5, 2014 meeting was unanimously approved.

IV RECOMMENDATIONS OF BEST PRACTICES FOR IOWA'S HOMELESSNESS SYSTEM PROVIDED BY THE STATE PUBLIC POLICY GROUP (ACTION ITEM)

Ms. McKeen with the state public policy group discussed briefly with the ICH members again the outline and reasoning behind the standards and how they were gathered.

Action Item: On a previous motion from the ICH to hold a vote on this item on June 5, 2014, it is recommended that the ICH approve the Best Practices for Iowa's Homelessness System provided by the State Public Policy Group.

Discussion: Mr. Hagen felt the name and entries in the document that stated the word "standard" should be removed from the document and replaced with "best practices" because "standard" makes it appear there is a compliance piece to this when there is no compliance enforcement readily available for this.

Ms. McKeen and Ms. Canaganelli reinforced that these are recommended standards that have been identified and that enforcement of these is years down the road. Ms. McKeen stated we are nowhere near the point of enforcement.

Ms. Phillips mentioned that she felt the document would be fine with a few tweaks to have language better align with federal law concerning domestic violence.

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Action Item Amendment #1: Mr. Hagen moved to amend the motion to approve with the caveat that the name and language be changed to “best practices.” Ms. Fisher seconded. The motion failed.

***Action Item Amendment #2:** Ms. Phillips moved to amend the motion to approve with the caveat that language concerning instances where laws focusing on domestic violence may be breached be edited in the document. Ms. Erickson seconded. The motion passed.

Original Action Item with Approved Amendment: On the original motion from the ICH and with the addition of *Amendment 2, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Axeen: Yes	Hagen: No
Binner: Yes	Harris: Yes
Brand: Yes	Johnson: Yes
Brustkern: Yes	Jordal: No
Canganelli: Yes	Phillips: Yes
Dunnwald: Yes	Schulze: Yes
Erickson: Yes	Schwalm: Yes
Fisher: No	Timm: Yes
Ford: Yes	Wilson: Yes

There were 17 yes votes and 3 no votes recorded. Per Iowa Code 16.100a: “A majority of the Council constitutes a quorum. Any action taken by the Council must be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of its membership,” Therefore, the motion failed to meet the quorum requirements outlined by the Iowa Code and the motion failed.

IX PUBLIC COMMENTS

- i. Old Business: None.
- ii. New Business: None.
- iii. Public Comments: None

X ADJOURN

The date of the next regular meeting is Friday, July 18, 2014 at 10:00AM at the Iowa Finance Authority.

On motion by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Timm, the June 5, 2014 meeting of the Iowa Council on Homelessness was adjourned at 4:20 PM.

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Voting Members Present

1. Al Axeen (Chair)
2. David Binner, Wells Fargo
3. Bill Brand, Iowa Department of Human Rights
4. Ben Brustkern, Cedar Valley Friends of the Family
5. Crissy Canganelli, Shelter House
6. Carrie Dunnwald, Cedar Valley Friends of the Family
7. Jane Erickson, Iowa Department on Aging
8. Mariliegh Fisher, Community Housing Initiatives
9. Karin Ford, Iowa Department of Public Health
10. David Hagen, Hawkeye Area Community Action Program
11. Kristine Harris, Consumer Representative
12. Ann Hearn, Linn County Community Services
13. Cliff Heckman, VA Medical Center
14. Karen Hyatt (alt. for Armstrong), Iowa Department of Human Services
15. Sandy Johnson, Iowa Department of Education
16. Rhonda Jordal, Family Alliance for Veterans of America
17. Donna Phillips (Vice Chair), Iowa Attorney General's Office
18. Nancy Schulze, Heartland Family Service
19. Ashley Schwalm, Family Resources
20. Tony Timm, Central Iowa Shelter and Services
21. Tim Wilson, Willis Dady Emergency Shelter

Voting Members Absent

1. Blair Avitt, Consumer Representative
2. Zeb Beilke-McCallum, Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence
3. Julie Bockenstedt, Humility of Mary Housing/Shelter
4. David Boss, Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation
5. Ann Brown, Iowa Department of Corrections
6. Bob Brownell, Iowa State Association of Counties
7. Becky Falck, SIEDA Community Action
8. Donna Grgurich, Iowa Economic Development Authority
9. Barb Kellogg, North Iowa Community Action Organization
10. Tom Lampe, Iowa Department of Public Safety
11. Stefanie Munsterman-Robinson, Family Promise of Linn County
12. Wes Peterson, Iowa Finance Authority
13. Amy Rawhouser, Consumer Representative
14. Reginald Schmitt, Iowa League of Cities
15. Michelle South, Consumer Representative
16. Bob Steben, Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs
17. Michael Witt, Iowa Workforce Development

Others Present

1. David Eberbach, Institute for Community Alliances
2. Julie Eberbach, Institute for Community Alliances

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3. Judy Hartman, Iowa Finance Authority
4. Julie Hewitt, Beacon of Life
5. Arlinda McKeen, State Public Policy Group
6. Josh McRoberts, Iowa Finance Authority
7. Keshia Meissner, Beacon of Life
8. Roberta Milinsky, Youth and Shelter Services
9. Scott Nash, Veterans Administration
10. Kimberly Neal, Veterans Administration
11. Jennifer Tibbetts, Catherine McAuley Center